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23 December 2002

Securities and Exchange Commission
Division of Corporation Finance
450 Fifth Street NW
Washington DC 20549
USA



RE: BRAMBLES INDUSTRIES PLC
Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemption (File No. 82-5205)

Dear Sirs and Mesdames,

The enclosed information is being submitted by Brambles Industries plc (the "Company") under paragraph (b) (1) (i) of Rule 12g3-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). The Company's file number is indicated in the upper right hand corner of each unbound page submitted with this letter.

In accordance with paragraphs (b) (4) and (b) (5) of the Rule, the documents submitted with this letter are being submitted with the understanding that such documents will not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, and that neither this letter nor the submission of such documents shall constitute an admission for any purpose that the Company is subject to the Exchange Act.

Yours faithfully,

Sandra Walters

Sandra Walters
Assistant Company Secretary

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NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

- 1) Name of company
Brambles Industries plc
- 2) Name of shareholder having a major interest
Putnam Investment Management, LLC and The Putnam Advisory Company, LLC
- 3) Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18

On behalf of clients of Putnam Investment Management, LLC and The Putnam Advisory Company, LLC
- 4) Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them

Not advised
- 5) Number of shares/amount of stock acquired

Not advised
- 6) Percentage of issued class

Not advised
- 7) Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

N/A
- 8) Percentage of issued class

N/A
- 9) Class of security

Ordinary shares of 5p each
- 10) Date of transaction

Not advised
- 11) Date company informed

20 December 2002
- 12) Total holding following this notification

66,403,025
- 13) Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

9.175%

14) Any additional information

N/A

15) Name of contact and telephone number for queries

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16) Name of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

Sandra Walters, Assistant Company Secretary

Date of notification - 23 December 2002